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Special Announcements

- The Internal Substance Abuse Program can be found on the web at <http://www.faa.gov/avr/aam/isap/>

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Red Ribbon Week Celebration, October 23-31 Enrique "Kiki" Camarena Story

Many lives have been lost due to the violence that people experience at the hands of desperate people anesthetized by illegal drugs.

In 1985, a group of concerned people rallied together. These young people, parents, community leaders and elders rallied on behalf of the health and safety of each of us, and in honor of a fallen son, brother, husband, father, and friend. Enrique "Kiki" Camarena was a Drug Enforcement Administration special agent. He was brutally tortured and murdered at the hands of drug traffickers. Enrique's death was not the first or the last.

His sacrifice of life propelled many people to stand together for a few days each year and send a unified message across the nation.

We wear a red ribbon in honor of the blood that was shed, in honor of the life sacrificed in service for others. We wear a red ribbon as a stop sign, to stop the violence of drug use. We wear a red ribbon to attract attention, to focus our attention on a common cause. We wear a red ribbon as a promise. A promise to maintain our own commitment to the health and safety of our selves, our families, and our young people. We wear a red ribbon to say thank you in memory of a life.



In honor of the Red Ribbon Campaign, the ISAP will be hosting events on a nationwide basis.

To get information on what is going on in your region, contact your Regional Drug Program Coordinator.

New Drug Testing Custody and Control Form

HHS/SAMSHA has revised the current Federal Custody and Control Form (CCF), which was approved for use after August 1, 2000.

The CCF is the critical document for establishing the chain of custody and ensuring the integrity of a

urine specimen throughout the drug testing process.

The new CCF has several changes that were implemented to make the form more user friendly. Changes on the CCF are:

- (1) pages reduced from seven pages to five;
- (2) bottle seals moved to

bottom to make form 8 1/2" x11"; (3) collector signatures required just once; (4) split specimen report incorporated on same page as original specimen report.

New Drug Testing Laboratory Contract Awarded

Effective October 1, 2000, the Department of Transportation awarded a new laboratory drug testing contract to Northwest Drug Testing (NDT) a division of North West Technology, Inc.

NDT was founded in 1981. It has grown into one of the world's largest labs for drug and adulterant testing.

NDT serves a variety of clients

including: corporations, third-party administrators, government agencies, occupational health clinics, hospitals, employee health programs, treatment centers, correctional facilities, professional and amateur sport teams, and schools.

Today thousands of clients throughout the United States, Canada, South America, and

Japan send specimens to NDT's central facility via an extensive courier network and the Salt Lake City International Airport hub. Specimens are processed 24 hours a day, 365 days per year, to facilitate timely reporting of test results.



Salt Lake City, Utah,
home of Northwest
Drug Testing

Revised *FAA Site Coordinators Handbook*

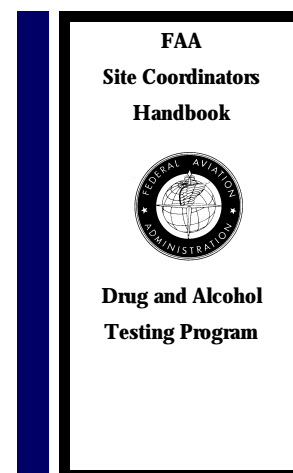
A revision of the *FAA Site Coordinators Handbook* was distributed to all FAA managers and supervisors in June 2000. The handbook serves as an operational guide and a training tool for agency managers/supervisors who represent management as Site Coordinators for drug specimen collector and alcohol testing.

The handbook revision provides quick-study sections and operational guidance for managers/supervisors. It is suggested that upon receipt of this material, information contained in the old handbook should be discarded with the exception of: DOT Order 3910.1 C, Drug and Alcohol-Free Departmental Workplace; Drug and Alcohol Testing Guide; and the

Off-Duty Case Handling Guide. These three documents should be placed in Section VI of the revised handbook.

Note: The handbook and other ISAP information is available on the intranet at <http://www.faa.gov/avr/aam/isap/>.

If you have any questions, contact your Regional Drug Program Coordinator.



Awareness

Phencyclidine (PCP)

Phencyclidine (PCP) is a synthetic drug which also is known as angel dust, rocket fuel, animal tranquilizer, zombie, krystal joints, and love. PCP may be prepared as a white crystalline powder or in clear liquid form. Both powdered PCP and liquid PCP, a highly potent form of the drug, can be sprinkled on parsley or marijuana and eaten or smoked. Commercial cigarettes also can be dipped into liquid PCP.

The effects of PCP include:

altered states of consciousness, disorientation, confusion, memory loss, highly unpredictable behavior, impaired driving ability.

Even short-term use of PCP can be particularly dangerous and cause mental changes resembling schizophrenia, severe depression, loss of learning abilities, and violent and other intoxicated behaviors resulting in bodily harm or death.

Physical dependence on PCP has been documented and may be accompanied by memory loss, violence, weight loss, and paranoia. Symptoms of withdrawal include headaches, intense craving for the drug, increased need for sleep, and flashbacks for a period of years.